SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 314

By Kyle

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Kiyah Anderson, 2013 Salutatorian of Central High School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who, through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence, have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Kiyah Anderson is one such exceptional student who was recently named Salutatorian of the 2013 graduating class at Central High School; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, Kiyah has achieved outstanding academic success and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, in her remarkable high school career, Ms. Anderson has earned an exemplary grade point average of 4.9; and

WHEREAS, Kiyah has graciously dedicated her time and energies to numerous scholastic and extracurricular efforts, including serving as a member of the Student Council, varsity tennis team, National Honor Society, Key Club, Modern Distinctive Ladies, Memphis PREP Program, and the Metropolitan Inter-Faith Association (MIFA) College Offers Opportunities for Life program; and

WHEREAS, active in her community, Ms. Anderson has served as a volunteer for the Mid-South Food Bank, Snowden Community Day, Peer Tutoring, Life Blood, Pride Patrol, the annual Margie Dowell 5K Run/Walk, Peabody Elementary School Aftercare, Lichterman Nature Center clean-up, and Memphis City Beautiful; and

WHEREAS, no stranger to awards and accolades, Kiyah Anderson earned first place in MIFA's MLK Oratorical Essay contest; she earned *summa cum laude* and *maxima cum laude* honors on the National Latin Exam; she was named C Spire's Academic All-Star for General Scholarship; and she is a six-year recipient of the William H. Sweet Award and a recipient of the

Swarthmore College Book Award, Memphis PREP Summer Program Participant Award, and the AP Scholar Award; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Anderson's display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for her future success as a college student, during which time she plans to double major in biological sciences and mathematics with a focus in pre-medicine; and

WHEREAS, her noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for her parents, Keith and Trina Anderson, her school, and her community; and

WHEREAS, Kiyah Anderson's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby commend and honor the 2013 Central High School Salutatorian, Kiyah Anderson, on her impressive academic achievement and extend to her our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.